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A. H. S. ASSURED RED CROSS BANNER

According to the reports late Monday evening only one person in the whole high school was not a member of the Red Cross. A fund of seventeen dollars has been provided to purchase memberships for any student who could not afford to pay their dollar. This meant that A. H. S. will have another service banner "One hundred per cent Red Cross" sure looks good doesn't it.

A few people have not yet reported to Mr. Steffey, but he says that there is no possibility of more than five failing to subscribe, and the fund will take care of them.

Hoorah!

MORE STARS FOR SERVICE FLAG

The boys who went to the Mexican border a year ago last spring have not so far been included in the list of A. H. S. boys in the service, but they surely deserve all the praise we can possibly give them, and we deserve a star for each of them on our service flag. The incomplete list of these "veterans" appears below:

Cecil Hamm.
Sam Martin.
Earl Quade.
Clifford McCarthy.
Lawrence Murphy.

We want to have a complete list with ranks, addresses and news about these boys and the other boys for the next issue. The government has asked that no letters containing news of troop movements, equipment, etc., be published, so we will have to limit ourselves to little items of news, that the Huns can't use. (rhyme.)

"Shorty" Orville Aplan's complete address is Co. B, 340 Machine Gun Battery, Camp Funston, Kansas. "Shorty" Elder C. Heffern, is now doing clerical work in an army office. He says he likes the work, and that the men in the Signal Corps are far above the average. His address is Depot Co. "I" Signal Corps, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

A card has been received stating that Harvey Fitch has arrived safely at his destination across the pond.

Whether you are a soldier or just

a soldier's friend, will you please help us by keeping our address list up to date. We want to keep A. H. S. more than just a memory to those who left school to fight.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST TOMORROW

Tomorrow at two o'clock, the Home Declamatory Contest will be held in the Auditorium. Everybody who buys a ticket will be excused from their sixth and seventh period classes. High School turned out last year, let's live up to that record.

Eleven contestants have been working hard for a chance to go to Dayton, Iowa on March fifth to represent A. H. S. in the district contest. Those entered in the Oratorical class are: Loraine Caul, Ida Havjsen, and Ann Lindauer, in the Dramatic class, Fern Grover, Myrtle Hall, Francis Holm, and Lillie Roberson, in the Humorous class, Myrna Tripp, Ethlyrd Colburn, Vera Graves, Miss Coffin of the College Public Speaking Department will act as judge. The winner in each class will receive a five dollar gold piece awarded by the following Ames business men: Tilden Ctores company, The Fair Store, and Gus Martin.

These contestants were selected in the preliminary contest held in December and everyone of them has been working loyally. They deserve your support. Let's give them a push that will send the winner victorious to the state contest. BOOST!

WHO WILL WIN.

The next issue of the Spirit will be published by the class having the largest percentage of subscriptions at noon (twelve o'clock) next Wednesday. A special subscription price of thirty cents has been made for this contest. After the contest closes the price will be thirty-five cents. By subscribing now, you save thirty-three and a third per cent of the cost of each separate issue.

The winning class will be given free reign in this next issue. At present the class standings are: Seniors, 53 per cent subscribers, Juniors, 40 per cent; Sophomore 33 per cent; Freshmen 16 per cent.

AMES-BOONE GAME

The first inter-high school game of the season will be played Friday evening in the Gymn. Boone always has a good team and there's going to be a hard fight on the home floor. Athletics are expensive and we, a high school students must furnish the dough. A. H. S. citizens, we have got to back our team if we want to win.

Let's Root!

Two weeks from Friday Toledo is coming here. Let's pack the gym. Other teams coming to Ames are: Nevada, Marshalltown, and Webster City. Five big chances for you to show your pep.

DO YOU WANT THE TEAM TO WIN? "Actions speak louder than words."

SENIORS AND SOPHS.

The game was better from start to finish. The superior guarding of Scovel the Sohps. standing guard, stopped the Seniors scoring machine as no other guard has been able to do. Elliot and Bennett were chief point gainers for the Sophmores. At the end of the first half stood a tie. It was "Less" Sauvain, the Seniors plucky forward, that won the game for his class, because of his ability to shoot fouls. Musson's and Innes' team work with Belknap's guarding was a great help to the Seniors. The score at the end was 21-16.

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| Seniors | | Sophmores |
| Musson | R. F. | Cornelliuson |
| Sauvain | L. F. | Bennett |
| Inness | C. | Thornburg |
| Belknap | L. G. | Eliott |
| Watkins | R. G. | Scovel |

Field goals: Seniors; Innes 3, Sauvain 2, Musson 2. Sophs: Eliott 4, Bennett 3. Free throws: Seniors; Sauvain 6, Innes 1, Sophs: Eliott 2.

JUNIORS-FRESHMEN

Score 22-9.

The Juniors won by a large margin but the preps were game fighters. Burns lead in basket shooting for the Juniors and by Hess' and Howell's consistent guarding the preps were held to nine points. Ralph Dalbey lead the Preps in scoring and with the help of Meredith, Thompson, and

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The Bi-Weekly News Issue of
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EDITORIAL
Back-the-Team

The Basket Ball season is about to open. Let us turn over a new leaf and support the team. In years gone by Ames has had fine teams and fine support, but in the last four or five years, basket ball has ceased to cause much interest. We have been out of competition for about a year, and now while the fighting spirit is high, let us support the team this winter. All of the schools, half the size of Ames, have excellent support. in Dallas Center, for instance, a town of about 1000, the whole student body, citizens, and farmers for miles around attend every game. Altho' our gym is small, it can hold three or four times as many spectators as it now does. The boys who work for months trying to make a good showing for their school, deserve your support. If a player knows that his school mates are behind him, especially his lady friends, his efforts are doubled. Next Friday our first game is to be held Boone will oppose us that night and we have not beaten them for years and now is our chance. Everyone come Friday night, bring the girls and beat Boone!

NEWS FROM ORVILLE APLAND.

I belong to the Machine Gun Battalion, otherwise known as the "Suicide Club." I don't know why, as I haven't had enough experience, but I can guess.

Perhaps I was short when I was at Ames, but I am not any more. I can look down on about one half dozen. The first cook is 4 feet 10 inches, and a huge Dane is 4 feet 6 inches. The small fellows are called the "Peanuts" and we can put it all over the big fellows. We beat the other platoons in drill, football, basketball, and every thing except eating, although we aren't slackers at that either. Nearly everybody weighs at least 15 pounds more now than when they came down here. I am 20 pounds heavier.

I don't know anything else so I'll tell you about Christmas. When we heard that nobody could go home at Christmas time, Co. B, decided to have something special Christmas Eve. A collection brought \$134 and the committee spent it. We had a big feed of turkey with trimmings, fruit, oleomargarine and other luxur-

ies too numerous to mention. Besides that, we had free access to piles of fruit, candy, nuts, and the cider barrel all evening. After supper, we were entertained with a program. Besides comic and patriotic speeches and songs, we had a real honest INGIN War Dance, some expert roping and other stunts. We have some real educated Indians in our company. "A very enjoyable evening was spent by all." There were fireworks in the evening, but I didn't see them.

The same Appie Shortland.

Y. W. CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, Dec. 24th, the big party "happened." Seventy five children and their mothers met in the High school "Gym." You should have seen those children's eyes open when they saw the big green tree loaded with pink bulging bags, and blazing with candles. One little girl cried "cause there wouldn't be another one for a year."

Y. W. INDOOR PICNIC

Just as we planned, about fifty girls met at the Library Monday, Dec. 31, to make books for the soldiers. Everyone had a "gay" time, midst the clippings of jokes, funny stories, poems, and pictures. At noon we had lunch with hot chocolate and after that we pasted our slippings in clever little calico booklets. Some of us upon looking over the finished books really found ourselves envying the soldiers.

No more German. Hurrah!

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DRAMATIC CLUB

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NEWS.

Dorothy Beam spent the vacation in Laurenz.

Romana Reins entertained at a watch party New Year's eve.

A telegram from Harvy Fitch has been received that he has arrived safely at his destination.

Doris Wherry was in Des Moines last week.

There haven't been enough girls at Red Cross Saturday afternoons! Don't forget!

The girls who were at Red Cross 1st Monday say they had all sorts of fun. If you want a good time you had better come too.

A great deal of interest has been shown in the debates of the Junior English classes and some very peppy debates have been given.

During vacation a bunch of girls helped Mrs. Clyde Williams, doing clerical work for the Red Cross.

The Camp Fire girls gave a birthday surprise party for Ida Thomas last Saturday.

Marguerite Kirkham spent her vacation visiting in Des Moines, and Bayard.

Gilberta Luke was in Hampton and Des Moines last week.

Mable Rodgers, Dorothy Harriman and Alice McCarthy went to Des Moines to see "Little Women."

Tom Musson entertained six of his friends at his home Thursday evening, December 28th.

Mrs. Curtiss' Sunday School class of the Congregational Church entertained Mrs. Galen Tilden's class at the Farm House last Friday.

Theresa Judge spent the Christmas vacation in Chicago. Williamette Olson was out of school last week because of illness.

The Juniors are planning a party to be given soon!!!

Helen and Hazel Nesbit attended the Nevada-Belle Plaine basket ball game at Nevada last Friday.

Hazel Richter spent a week in Marshalltown during vacation.

Lin Stollard of Omaha, was in Ames to see Edith Wallis and Naomi Fitch.

Beatrice Olson was in Des Moines last week.

Donald Crooks, who has been very ill with pneumonia will return to school next Monday.

Roy Dalby is going to move to Des Moines the last of this week. To one or two H. S. girls he will be like the old saying: "Gone but not forgotten."

Verle Williams of Rochester, Minn. and Freda Park of Austin, Minn., entered school last week.

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Teachers! (especially Miss Miller) take notice: The rule in our High School is not to have Semester examinations.

Dorothy Harriman was ill Thursday and Friday, but is now as spry as ever.

The A. H. S. boys who are at Deming were in a REAL "movie" with William S. Hart a few weeks ago. The film will be shown here soon. Let us all go and see what great actors our boys have become.

JUNIORS-FRESHMEN

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Clark they were able to show the Juniors a merry time.

| Juniors | | Freshmen |
|---------|-------|--------------|
| Burns | R. F. | Brunner |
| Potter | L. F. | Ralph Dalbey |
| Meyers | C. | Meredith |
| Hess | L. G. | Thompson |
| Howell | R. G. | Clark |

Field Goals: Juniors; Burns 4, Hess 2, Potter 2, Roy Dalbey 2, Freshmen: Ralph Dalbey 2, Meredith 1. Free throws: Juniors; Meyers 2, Freshmen; Ralph Dalbey 3, Sub: Juniors Roy Dalbey for Meyers.

FIRST GAME OF SECOND SERIES.

The Juniors were able to overcome the Freshmen as they did in the 1st series. Potter led the Juniors in scoring. Burns and Roy Dalbey were able to keep up the records of previous games by scoring four or five points apiece. Hess and Howell played a good defensive game. The Preps were there with the fight though they did get the little end of the score. Ralph Dalbey and "Vic" Brunner were able to get a basket apiece for the team. Thompson, Meredith and Clark were the Preps main defense. Score 16-4.

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A PEPPY SEMESTER LITERARY CONTEST.

By January twenty-fifth the peppest Literary Society programs A. H. S. has seen for a long time will be worked out in detail. Starting with February eighth, six inter-class programs will be held. Every class meets all the other classes in a program consisting of an extemporaneous contest with six contestants, three from each class; a debate with two speakers on each side, and a student opinion forum. Each class will have a forum leader who is supposed to discover the topics the students are interested in and start things going. The forum is open to everyone, and all who take part win as many points for their class as the teachers think it worth, judging from attitude, sincerity, student interest and ability. Any topic about student activities, any constructive or destructive criticism, will win points for your class if you do the talking.

The officers will be judged by their ability to conduct the program with the most ease and the order of their classes. The Secretary-treasurers will be judged by the accuracy and neatness of reports they send in.

In May, when the contest closes everyone who has not appeared on a program either semester, or taken part in any forum will receive a demerit which counts against the points won by his class. The speakers and debators are to be chosen by lot. An appropriate banner is to be hung in the Auditorium, and the winning class each semester will be indicated on this banner.

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is your chance to do some real class boosting.

Y. M. C. A. ACTIVITIES

At the last meeting, Wednesday evening the mid-year graduating class of the 8th grade boys was entertained at a Stag Social. The purpose of the social was to promote a feeling of friendship, with the young fellows. Let us continue to show the big brother spirit to each of these boys.

In the war work campaign eight boys have paid their pledges in full thirty-nine in part. A total of \$239.50 has been collected to date. The rest of you fellows get to work. Remember—and sacrifice you make helps in saving the lives of our soldiers.

JOKES

Miss Gates—"What one word can you think of in place of the three, 'to hold under.'"

Carvel C. "Duck."

Miss Stuart dictating an outline. "G." (gee) Adam's Financial Policy. Everyone laughs.

Miss Stuart innocently, "Well, call it 'H' then if you like."

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